

DR. STETSON STANDS FOR OLD TIME FAITH

Trinity Rector Decries New Churches Offering 'Rosy Cloud' Beliefs.

The church of to-day needs not numbers but better people and the restoration of an authoritative, reasonable, militant faith, said Dr. Caleb R. Stetson, rector of Trinity Church, yesterday in his New Year's sermon. Preaching on "The Righteousness of Faith," he described his subject as "about the most important thing in the development of society to-day."

"It is infinitely more important than money, material progress, wealth or the consideration of corporations," he continued. "Unless a country has a righteous faith and the men of that country have that faith that country is destined to become extinct and that civilization will fall in ruins. This is important because definite Christian faith is on the wane."

"There has been a great alienation of the masses from the churches in both England and the United States. The churches are trying to draw people back by watering their teachings, by offering concerts and motion pictures and in various other ways in a futile effort to win them back when the only thing which can do that is the assurance that the church is teaching something worth while. The only thing which can do that is the Christian religion."

As evidence of the condition which Dr. Stetson called the result of failure to teach the young, he cited the case of a student of a fashionable girls' school who, he said, had told him that on graduation from the school not one of her friends expressed a belief in God. He also referred to a school for boys conducted by the Episcopal Church in which the headmaster found on examining members of the entering class that less than half could repeat the Lord's prayer, a few had never heard of the Ten Commandments and only two could repeat the creed of the church.

"That is evidence of something which is going on in the world to-day because of failure to teach the young," he said. "Do not listen to the prophets to-day who tell you that we are on the eve of a great revival of faith. The times are difficult. We must face the facts. You and I can help. I don't believe that the Christian church is going to fail. But we can't go into battle by hearing just sweet words and singing hymns that all is going well. We must fight."

"The church needs not so much numbers of people, but better people; people who have a better understanding of what they believe and why." Faith ought to be reasonable, said the rector, and he urged his parishioners to read their Bibles, accept the results of proper scholarship and read books about religion.

"Beyond a reasonable faith we need an uplifting faith," he continued, "a faith that will uplift us from sordid conceptions, make us hope and give us joy. Only the faith of Jesus Christ makes me see in human beings something beyond the sordid belief in books of to-day that human beings are little more than animals. The horror of realism in the book of to-day! The dirty meanness in the sex and hunger motives! The bad psychoanalysis which makes man only a slave to passion! If that is life we welcome death."

Dr. Stetson had severe criticism for that preaching which retained nothing in it long enough to stand up, and said he did not believe in a religion clothed in "rosy clouds and lovely poetry."

"That is sentimentalism, self-hypnotism," he declared. "There is no sense in it. Let's be clear thinking. This is no better than the Greek myths. It isn't as good as the mythology of sun god worship. Let us be ready to fight to-day for the faith of Christ and for the propagation of Christianity. The blood red banner of Christ must be lifted up to-day in order to win. Let us not be sentimental and weak about this, but strong and virile."

MONTENEGRO HONORS G. PAYNE

George Henry Payne, editor of the *Forum* and a member of the Board of Tax Commissioners, was notified yesterday that the Order of Danilo I had been conferred upon him by Queen of Montenegro for distinguished services in behalf of that country. Mr. Payne is the author of several books, including the "History of Journalism in the United States."

BOSTON SOCIAL WORKERS FAIL IN LIVING COST TEST

Seventy-eight Cents a Day for Food Insufficient to Maintain Health, They Assert in Reply to Minimum Wage Commission.

Special Dispatch to The New York Herald, Boston, Jan. 1.—The Massachusetts Minimum Wage Commission declares that a girl can live on food costing not more than seventy-eight cents a day, and that she can clothe herself, pay rent, board, carfare, laundry charges and other bills on \$12 weekly.

Three prominent Boston women, social workers, doubted it to the extent of putting it to a personal test. They broke down under the strain. Not one was able to carry the experiment to a successful termination.

"You can exist, but you cannot live," they say. Aches, pains, old illnesses that had passed into oblivion recurred, and medical advisers urged an immediate return to normal, wholesome diet. Each one kept an exact account of her expenditures, and each reported to a penny how her money was spent. One day when three cents was left over one of the experimenters had a treat of an orange or an apple. This was not a daily occurrence, however.

CITY HOME BUILDING GAINS 413 PER CENT.

Curran Tells of Progress in Relieving House Shortage.

In the forty-three weeks since the enactment by the Board of Aldermen of the housing tax exemption ordinance home building in New York has increased 413 per cent., over the corresponding period of 1920, according to records at the end of the year in the building bureau of the five boroughs. The figures were made public yesterday by Henry H. Curran, retiring President of the Borough of Manhattan, who was sponsor of the ordinance.

"The first forty-three weeks of tax exemption," said Mr. Curran, "have brought out plans for new homes to take care of 56,592 families." The cost of these homes will be \$289,361,234, which indicates that the average cost is slightly under the \$5,000 limit of the exemption.

The number of families who will live in the one and one-half apartment houses will be 32,413, while apartment houses will care for the remaining 24,179 families. The average cost per family in each of the little houses will be \$4,860, and the apartments will be built at an average cost of \$4,634 each.

"This startling boom in the building of homes is in sharp contrast over the figures for the same forty-three weeks of 1920—that is, from February 25 to December 25. The number of families provided for in the plans filed during this period in 1920 was only 11,016, as against the 1921 figure of 56,592, which means an increase of 413 per cent. since the stimulus of the ten year tax exemption took place on February 25, 1921, when the ordinance was enacted.

"In considering the extent to which the new homes, when built, will relieve the shortage in housing caused by the war, it is to be remembered that the extent of this shortage up to January 1, 1921, was estimated at more than 100,000 families. That ten months since the tax exemption enactment have produced plans for new homes for more than 56,000 families shows that we have at least made a start. The city's population has increased since January 1, 1921, however, and is going to keep on increasing. We have not yet caught up with New York's housing shortage, nor are we yet out of the woods, but we have made a beginning; we are on our way."

SCHWAB'S AGENT IN CUBA DIES.

Word was received here yesterday that De Berniere Whitaker, aged 52, vice-president and general manager of the Bethlehem Mines Company, a subsidiary of the Bethlehem Steel Company, died on Christmas of heart disease in Santiago, Cuba. He had lived there for many years as a representative of Schwab interests.

Mr. Whitaker was born in Enfield, N. C., a son of the late Judge Spier Whitaker, and was educated at the University of North Carolina. He went to Santiago in 1898 as chemist for the Spanish American Iron Company. His recent report on Cuban mining conditions, pointing out that it was ruinous to American interests, was made the basis of a message of the President of Cuba to Congress urging a lightening of taxation. Mr. Whitaker was a member of the Engineers Club of New York and the Society of American Engineers. The body is being brought to this city by a steamship due to-morrow. Funeral services will be in Raleigh, N. C.

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FOODS FORM 30 P. C. OF ALL U. S. EXPORTS

Government Reports Show Possibility of Expansion Is Practically Unlimited.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Commercially, Europe and America are not making impressive strides, but the latest issue of the *United States Weekly Commerce Reports*, published by the Department of Commerce, indicate that the United States is losing less ground. The reports include more cheerful forecasts from the Far East and Australasia. British trade appears to be on the rebound, although exceedingly small.

The reports are voluminous, but the following excerpts indicate the symptoms:

About 30 per cent. of the total exports of the United States for the last three years consisted of foodstuffs. The country produces an enormous surplus of foodstuffs, and the possibility of future expansion is practically unlimited. Europe is the great market for American foodstuff exports, taking 53 per cent. of the total.

Foodstuffs constitute some 30 per cent. of the total imports, and of these purchases 63 per cent. is sugar and coffee. Employment increased in the leather industry during October, according to the Bureau of Labor statistics, but a decrease is shown in the boot and shoe industry.

Thirty-six leather establishments reporting for the months of September and October showed that the number of persons employed during those two months increased from 12,287 to 13,494, or 16 per cent. Eighty-two shoe manufacturers show 62,747 employed in September and 62,748 in October, a decrease of 1.6 per cent.

The production of boots and shoes in the territory comprising Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and North Carolina has been steadily increasing, according to the *Shoe and Leather Reporter*. As compared with 1916 the total production is 81 per cent., as against approximately 40 per cent. a year ago.

Crude Oil Exports Gain.

Exports of crude oil from the United States during the month of November were 25,237,247 gallons, an increase of about 15 per cent. over the October figure and of about 40 per cent. as compared with November last year. Crude oil exports for the eleven months ending November amounted to 250,359,232 gallons, an increase of about 15 per cent. as compared with the same period last year and about 75 per cent. greater than the exports for the eleven months ending November, 1919.

The motion picture industry in Japan has had a remarkable development in the last few years. As far back as 1917 or 1918 foreign films, chiefly American, were growing in favor in Japan, and they have continued to increase in popularity.

Decided changes in the economic policy of the Government of Russia, reflecting abandonment of socialism, have taken place recently, according to a review of statements appearing in the Soviet controlled press of that country, as compiled by the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce of the Department of Commerce.

The month of November may be characterized as a period of readjustment at the bottom of depression in British trade. As a consequence, slight improvement may be noted in certain basic industries as rather generally in coal mining and in certain aspects of the textile industries. Thus, the production of coal averaged 4,500,000 tons a week as compared with 4,200,000 tons a week in October. Coal exports are also improving.

Cost of living during November continued to decline, falling from 110 per cent. increase over July, 1914, on November 1 to 103 per cent. on December 1. Total unemployment has increased, but the explanation is again offered that more names of unemployed are represented on the live registers.

Industrial improvement in Italy is marked in the textiles, especially wool, cotton and silk. The automobile and metallurgical trades are on the upgrade, although several important concerns are in difficulty. Considerable apprehension is felt because the unchecked rise in the cost of living blocks a smooth readjustment of labor costs, but no serious strikes were reported early in December. Unemployment continues critical, but Government appropriations for extensive public works, such as railroads, port improvements and hydro-electric projects, have been made.

The economic conditions in Australia continue to show a gradual improvement as a whole, so that now a general feeling of renewal of confidence has been established, according to a cablegram from Trade Commissioner J. W. Sanger at Melbourne. The statistics of foreign trade for each of the last few months have shown the value of exports to be appreciably larger than the value of imports.

MACHINE GUN HALTS KENTUCKY LABOR RIOT
Shots From Mill Workers Bring Militia Attack.

Special Dispatch to The New York Herald, CINCINNATI, Jan. 1.—An armed mob and members of the Kentucky Militia guarding the Newport Rolling Mills engaged in a battle early this morning from opposite banks of the Licking River.

More than 100 shots were fired by the rioters and the windows and walls of the mill were riddled by the bullets. Retaliation on the part of the troops guarding the mill came quickly when Col. H. H. Denhardt ordered a machine gun turned on the mob.

The rattle of the gun had a speedy effect. Only fifteen rioters were fired before the rioters disappeared.

The Time-Honored Sale of China and Table Crystal

FOR many years it has been an Ovington custom to hold, during the month of January, a sale of table Crystal and China. And this year custom still holds its sway, for every piece of the great Ovington collection of China and Crystal is included in the sale.

Things are 10% less, many more are 20% and 30% less and still others are 40% and 50% less. And these discounts, be it remembered, are taken from prices generally respected as reasonable and just.

Nothing is exempt!

Now is an excellent time for hostesses to inspect their cabinets and cupboards, for this customary Sale of China and Glass happens but once a year and that time is now!

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